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Banks.

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

- 1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.
- 2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one transaction.
- 3.—Depositors in the Savings Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.
- 4.—Interest at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.
- 5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.
- 6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if made on Hongkong Savings Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.
- 7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
THOMAS JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 13, 1890 764

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$7,500,000
RESERVE FUND, \$4,600,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PRO., \$7,500,000
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HONGKONG.
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ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

ON Fixed Deposits—
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " " "
" 12 " 5 " " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Drafts granted on London and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

THOMAS JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, May 13, 1890. 363

Intimations.

NOTICE.

Messrs. ARNOLD, KARBERG & Co. have been appointed SOLE AGENTS at Hongkong for the Société Française des Houillères de Touraine.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
L. RUDTHER,
Secretary.

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE Third Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held in the CHAMBERS of COMMERCE Room, City Hall, at Twelve o'clock (noon), on SATURDAY, the 28th June next, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1889.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 28th Instant, both days inclusive.

EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, June 14, 1890. 1094

Intimations.



A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited,
(Established A.D. 1841).

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Wholesale and Retail Druggists.

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We beg to state that we import Drugs, Chemicals, and Goods of every kind of the best description only—no other quality is kept in stock.

Our long experience and intimate acquaintance with the Trade, and the best sources of supply, enable us to purchase direct from the Producers on the very best terms, and thus give us an advantage which enables us to offer our customers the benefit of a considerable reduction in the price of all our Specialties as compared with similar articles sold elsewhere.

We wish it to be clearly understood that our prices cannot be beaten by any other firm in the Colony; and we trust it will soon become generally known that, quality for quality, our charges are all round comparatively low, and in most instances with those ruling at home.

Experienced English Assistants only are employed in the preparation and dispensing of Medicines.

GOODS FOR COAST PORTS.

Whenever practicable, are despatched by direct steamers leaving after receipt of orders. Most articles can now be sent by the local Parcel Post. All retail orders of the value of five dollars and upwards are sent freight or postage paid.

Orders through Local Post or by Telegram receive prompt attention.

A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY, HONGKONG.

BRANCH ESTABLISHMENTS.

A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED.

THE SHANGHAI PHARMACY, SHANGHAI, 24, Nankin Road.

BOTICA IGLEZA, MANILA, Escalita, 14.

THE CANTON DISPENSARY, CANTON, Canal Road.

THE DISPENSARY, FOOSHOW.

THE DISPENSARY, HANKOW.

THE DISPENSARY, TIENTSIN.

LONDON OFFICE,
106, Fenchurch Street, E. C.

Hongkong, April 16, 1890. 711

THE DARVEL BAY TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY General Meeting of the DARVEL BAY TRADING COMPANY, Ltd., will be held at No. 9, Queen's Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 21st of June, 1890, at 2.30 o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the subjoined Resolution:

SPECIAL RESOLUTION.
That the Company be wound up voluntarily under the Provisions of the Companies Ordinance, 1865 to 1889, and that FREDERICK ALEXANDER, ALFRED BURING BROCKELMANN, and JUSTUS FRIEDRICH HEINRICH HEYD, composing the Firm of REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co., be the Liquidators of the said Company, and their remuneration as such Liquidators be the same as that allowed them as General Managers of the Company.

Dated this 10th day of June, 1890.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co.,
General Managers.

No. 32.

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that SATURDAY NEXT, the 21st Instant (5th Moon 5th day), being the CHINESE MID-SUMMER FESTIVAL, will be observed as a HOLIDAY at the Kowloon Customs Office, Halk and Steam.

All examination of Cargo and clearance of Junks will be suspended on that date.

J. McLEAVY BROWN,
Commissioner of Customs for Kowloon and District.
Custom House,
Kowloon, 14th June, 1890. 1067

Intimations.

THE PEAK HOTEL AND TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE OF RE-OPENING.

A Portion of the New Buildings of the above Company, known as the PEAK HOTEL and situated at Victoria Gap, adjoining the Tramway Station, being completed and furnished, BUSINESS will be commenced on SATURDAY NEXT, the 14th Instant.

Residence and Visitors wishing to stay at the Peak will find every Comfort and Accommodation, together with Refreshing Cool Breezes and Magnificent View.

Special attention has been given to the DINING ROOMS and BAR, to make this a pleasant resort for Residents during the Hot Summer Months.

THE TABLE D'HOTE is supplied with every available luxury. The cuisine being under Special Management is by far the best in or near Hongkong.

WINES and SPIRITS, &c.—only the best brands and quality are kept.

W. THOMAS,
Manager.

Hongkong, June 13, 1890. 1077

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 30th Instant, both days inclusive.

F. W. CROSS,
Manager.

Hongkong, June 14, 1890. 1066

PESSÉ & LUBIN

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SWEET SCENTS

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The Natural Mineral Waters of

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GRANDE-GRILLE.—For Affections of the Liver, Biliary Organs, &c.

CELESTINS.—For the Kidneys, Gravel, Gout, Rheumatism, Diabetes, &c.

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OF ALL CHEMISTS IN AUSTRALASIA.

BRITISH MERCANTILE MARINE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

This Association is formed for:—

I.—The purpose of counteracting influences that are, and for a very long time have been, acting against the interests of Officers of the British Mercantile Marine.

II.—To watch over and guard the interests of its Members.

III.—To maintain the proper dignity of the Profession.

N.B.—PUBLIC MEETINGS of this Association will be held at 3.30 p.m. EVERY TUESDAY and FRIDAY, at No. 2, HIGH STREET, the temporary quarters—until further notice.

All Masters and Officers are cordially invited to join.

By direction of the Committee.

Hongkong, June 2, 1890. 1064

THE EAST BORNEO PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.

Issue of \$50,000 twelve per cent. Debentures of \$100 each to be paid off on 30th June, 1892, but Redeemable on and after 3rd June, 1891, at the option of the Company on six months' notice.

THE Directors of the above Company are prepared to receive application for \$50,000 TWELVE PER CENT. DEBENTURES, Terminable on the 30th June, 1892, but Redeemable at the option of the Company at any time after the 30th June, 1891, on giving Six months' notice.

The Debentures will be issued on the 1st July next, in sums of \$100 each, and the Interest at Twelve per cent. will be payable Half-yearly on the 30th June and the 31st of December.

The First Interest will be payable on the 31st of December next.

As security for the due payment of both principal money and interest the Company charges all its property except last year's Crop.

Forms of Application may be obtained from the undersigned and should be filled up and sent to the Company Bankers, THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on or before the 28th June, 1890, accompanied by a Deposit of Ten per cent. upon the amount of the Debentures applied for.

The Form of Debenture can be seen at the Office of the Company.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
CHAS. F. HARTON,
Secretary.
Hongkong, June 4, 1890. 1810

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

AT THE PEAK.

THE FALLS' on R. B. L. No. 29—A Well-built Six-roomed HOUSE, at present let on Lease for one year.

For full Particulars, apply to

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., Ltd.

Hongkong, November 12, 1889. 2153

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

A Semi-Grand PIANO, by COLLARD & COLLEMAN. Made expressly for the climate.

Apply to

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, April 20, 1890. 793

Business Notices.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

HAVE NOW RECEIVED THEIR NEW STOCK OF GENTLEMEN'S OUTFITTING SUNDRIES.

SUMMER UNDERSHIRTS, PANTS & HALF-HOSE, NEW DRESS SHIRTS.

LONG CLOTH SHIRTS, Zephyr SHIRTS, French Print SHIRTS, Oxford SHIRTS, Silk and Gauze-Flannel Tennis SHIRTS.

COLLARS, HANDKERCHIEFS, SCARVES, TIES and CRAVATS.

WATERPROOF COATS, APRONS and UMBRELLAS.

Men's Bathing SUITS and DRAWERS, Ladies' Bathing COSTUMES, TOWELS, Bath GOWNS, Bath BLANKETS, Bath GLOVES and Flesh BRUSHES.

Sun UMBRELLAS, Sun HATS, Straw HATS, Felt HATS, BOOTS & SHOES.

NEW TOILET REQUISITES.

FRISKY HEAT SOAP, CARBOLIC SOAP, Pear's SOAPS, Eau de Cologne, NEW PERFUMES, TOILET VINEGAR, LAVENDER WATER, KAHLBERG, Rose's DENTIFRICE, Eau de QUININE, HAIR WASH, LIME JUICE and Glycerine, &c., &c.

"ANTI-CALCAIRE" for softening hard water.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, May 29, 1890. 978

Victoria Hotel,

Praya and Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

THIS Extensive and well-appointed Establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbour and within five minutes' walk of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c., has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now one of the principal Hotels in the place.

The ROOMS are spacious, well ventilated and have just been refurnished in a most comfortable and handsome manner, suited to the requirements of the Far East. The Accommodation and Service of every kind will be found to be of the best description. An ample and varied TABLE D'HOTE is always provided and served in the spacious, large DINING HALL.

The HOTEL also contains handsome and comfortable Reception, Reading, BILLIARD and Smoking Rooms.

The HOTEL is unsurpassed for comfort, convenience and quick service. Continental languages are spoken.

Messrs. DORABEE & HING KEE,
Proprietors.

Hongkong, September 16, 1885. 1612

W. POWELL & Co.

STRIPE & CHECK DRESS MATERIALS.

WHITE & COLOURED DRESS MUSLINS.

WHITE & CREAM DRESS LAWNS.

PONGEE DRESS CAMBRICES.

PLAIN & FANCY PONGEE SILKS.

A CHOICE SELECTION OF FLOWERS.

UMBRELLAS & PARASOLS.

Ladies' & Infants' UNDERCLOTHING.

Ladies' & Children's STRAW HATS.

NEW FURNISHED MILLINERY.

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A Large Stock BRIG'S TRANSFER.

SPECIALITIES IN FANCY WORK.

Ladies' & Children's GAUZE VESTS.

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W. POWELL & Co.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE, May 31, 1890. 996

MARINE HOTEL,

HONGKONG.

THE Undersigned begs to notify the Public of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, that he will OPEN THE MARINE HOTEL, on or about the 1st May.

THIS FIRST-CLASS HOTEL is situated on the Praya West, opposite the Old P. & O. Wharf, and is newly built after the designs of the LARGEST EUROPEAN HOTELS—the BEDROOMS, BATH ROOMS, &c., are commodious, well ventilated and well furnished, and are suitable for Single or Married Persons. The DINING ROOM is large and looks on the Harbour.

THE TABLE D'HOTE will be supplied with the best the market can provide. The BAR and BILLIARD ROOMS are on the Ground Floor, and will be fitted up with every description of the best quality and Brands only will be supplied. WINES and LIQUORS of the best quality and Brands only will be supplied. The Undersigned therefore begs the patronage of the Public, hoping to give every satisfaction.

JAS. EDWARDS, Proprietor. 621

REDUCED PRICES.

TROPICAL TWEED COATS & PANTS, \$15.50.

DRESS SUITS, from \$20.00.

LINEN, DRILLS & DUCK SUITS.

FLANNEL, SERGE & MERINO.

FRENCH CAMBRIC PRINTED SHIRTING.

WATERPROOF COATS & INVERNESS CAPES, from \$5.

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ENGLISH-MADE BOOTS & SHOES.

UMBRELLAS, SUMMER UNDERCLOTHING in all Materials.

HANDKERCHIEFS, &c., &c., &c.

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To Let.

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N. O. 3, MORRISON HILL.

Entry, 1st June.

Apply to

G. C. ANDERSON,

13, Praya Central.

Hongkong, April 22, 1890. 732

TO LET.

HOUSES Nos. 2 & 3, 'CAMERON' YIL.

LAS, PEAK. Gas laid on.

One-Spacious FIVE-ROOMED HOUSE at MOUNT KELCEY, Peak. Gas laid on.

HOUSES Nos. 4 & 5, 'DAN YAN' YIL.

LAS, MOUNT KELCEY, Peak. Gas laid on.

HOUSES Nos. 17, 20, 22 & 23, 'BELL' LOS TERRACE, Robinson Road.

THE BUNGALOW, 'DELHIA' on Kowloon Farm Lot 1, Yow-na-li, with large garden and Tennis Ground.

One TWO-STORY GODOWN, a few yards from the Praya Central.

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Hongkong, June 12, 1890. 1069

TO LET.

A HOUSE in WEST TERRACE.

Immediate Entry.

Apply to

G. C. ANDERSON,

13, Praya Central.

Hongkong, May 3, 1890. 591

TO LET.

work is begun. As far as the executive work is concerned, Mr. Cooper would be about as free as ever. It is all essential, however, that there should be some public authority behind him to whom appeal may be made, and on whom the responsibility of making the law be to carry out should repose. Power to cut off the water from a district should not be dependent upon the mere ipse dixit of an official. Besides, consistency seems to demand that the Sanitary Board should be made the Water Authority. Mr. Cooper, as chief officer (after Mr. Chodwick's departure) of the Drainage and Water Department, is subject to the Board as far as the regulation of house drains is concerned. Why should he be made independent with regard to the other half of his duties? If the Sanitary Board is to deal with house drains, it is not it to deal with the house water service? The drainage works are even less advanced than the water works, and yet jurisdiction has been given to the Board. There was, it is true, some friction at first, due perhaps to faults on both sides, but things are working smoothly now, and the public have more confidence in a body which is partially representative than in an official who, although very clever, has not always shown himself to be very discreet.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

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OUTWARD BOUND.—Huangshan, May 20, Hector, 27; Coronado, Cyclops, Diamond, Glenora, Naylor, Alberta, Mahar, Rusta, June 3; Benader, Fabian, Orion, Jorden, Tracer, 6; Glenyon, Melbourne, Palamede, 10.

HOMEWARD BOUND.—Patriot, June 3; Canton, 6; Caradine, June 10.

The P. & O. s.s. *Rome*, with the *Engle*, left Hongkong on Monday, the 16th June, at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Saturday, the 21st June.

The Canadian Pacific s.s. *Abyssinia*, from Vancouver, &c., left Yokohama for Kobe, Nagasaki and Hongkong on the 16th June.

The new Indo-China s.s. *Lienshang*, from London, leaves Singapore on the 16th June, and may be expected here on or about the 21st June.

The s.s. *Benledi*, from Leth and London, left Singapore on June 15th, and may be expected here on or about June 21.

The Union Line s.s. *Jeer* left Singapore on the 16th June, and may be expected here on or about the 21st June.

The P. & O. s.s. *Shanghai* left Singapore for this port on June 15th, and may be expected here on or about 21st.

This delivery of the French Mail was begun at 9.10 a.m.

We learn that the British India steamer *Almor*, Capt. Grier, proceeds from Java to Brisbane, and thence to England with mails, taking the place of the unfortunate steamer *Decca*, which was lost on Dardanelles Reef.

We have to acknowledge receipt of a pamphlet entitled 'Report of the Missionary Conference held in Shanghai, May 1890,' issued from the office of the N. C. Daily News. We have no doubt the work will be prized by missionaries and others, as it gives a succinct record of the work done at one of the most important conferences held in China.

Old residents will regret to learn of the death of Major-General Brine, R.E., note of which appears in the telegrams by the French Mail. Frederick Brine was in the Crimea, and in 1863 he took part in the attack on the ports at Kagoshima, when he obtained brevet of Major. When subsequently stationed in Hongkong, Major Brine was commander of the Volunteer Corps (Artillery and Rifles), and under his energetic and enthusiastic command that body reached a point of efficiency and strength which it had never previously attained or has since equalled. It was during his command that the Hongkong Volunteers made their memorable visit to Macao, where they landed their field guns on the Praya Grande, and were feasted right royally by Governor Amal under a magnificent marquee. The gallant Major was present on that occasion with a sword to mark the event, of which he was exceedingly proud. But few of the Volunteers who made that successful trip in the old *Felice* (Capt. Carroll) now remain; but those who can still answer to the roll-call will hear with regret the news of the death of their gallant old Commander. General Brine retired from the service six years ago, and his name has been heard of a good deal of late years in connection with aeronautical feats, which to him had a peculiar fascination.

The Legislative Council meets on Monday. The following are the Orders of the Day:

1. Financial Minutes.
2. Report of the Finance Committee (No. 16).
3. Honourable P. Pyrie, pursuant to notice, will move for the following—

(a) A return of the cost of the completed Light-house of the Colony.
(b) The yearly expenditure for upkeep, wages and material, from the date of their completion to the 31st December, 1889.
(c) A return showing the receipts, yearly, from 'Light dues' from the time of their imposition to the 31st December, 1889.

4. Committee on 'The Magistrate's Bill.'
5. Second reading of the Bill entitled 'An Ordinance to amend and consolidate the law relating to the protection of Women and Girls.'

Mr. Robinson in the Police Court to-day, Lau Ah-chong pleaded guilty to a charge of throwing rubbish into the harbour, and was fined \$10 with the alternative of six weeks' hard labour.

Messrs. Carlows & Co. inform us that the N. G. T. steamer *Bormida* from Bombay, left Singapore for this port this afternoon, at 5 o'clock, and may be expected here on or about the 26th instant.

There was a fairly large audience at the Theatre Royal last night when Stanley's Company performed 'Patience.' The performance was under the patronage of H. E. the Administrator, who was present. The work is not of the kind that is best suited to the capabilities of the Company, but on the whole, after making all the allowances, they gave a very fair representation of it. Everybody in the piece played with a carelessness and an evident desire to succeed which is characteristic of all the members of the Company. Mr. Harry Pyrie's *Bunthorne* was perhaps the most successful of the parts and gained him cordial approbation. Miss Amy Childs as *Patience* appeared to greater advantage than on any previous occasion here, and gave a fairly good account of the part, although she does not seem to have quite recovered her voice yet. Miss F. Stanley was pretty well suited with the part of *Lady Jane* and both her singing and acting were praiseworthy. Mr. Liddiard, who made rather a good impression on his first appearance, did not improve it greatly by his playing of the part of *Archibald Grassie* last night, but that was chiefly due to the fact that he could not do justice to the music. In the pretty duet with *Patience*, 'Willow, willow, waly,' this was very evident. Messrs. Fletcher, Driscoll and Packard, as the Officers of the Dragoon Guards, rendered efficient service. Although some of the concerted pieces were rather poorly rendered, notably the sextet in the first act, the choruses as a rule went very well. The opera was well staged and appropriately dressed. Some of the instruments of the orchestra were a little too obviously affected by the high temperature, a misfortune which is inevitable under such circumstances. The Company give 'She-o' for the third time to-night, and to-morrow evening 'Les Cloches de Corneville' will be performed.

RACE ACROSS THE ATLANTIC.—A neck-and-neck race across the Atlantic has just been finished. Two of the crack 'ocean greyhounds,' the Cunard steamship *Aurania*, and the Anchor Line steamship *City of Rome*, left the United States on May 3.

The *City of Rome* left New York City at 5 p.m., and the *Aurania*, which vessel left her dock in the same city at 4 p.m. The two racers hardly lost sight of each other for an hour throughout the whole passage, but the *City of Rome* soon passed the *Aurania*, and the last-mentioned vessel was forced to make a wide berth of the miles across the Atlantic. At 10 o'clock the *City of Rome* led by ten minutes only, but upon reaching the Mersey at seven o'clock on May 11 she had a lead of fifteen minutes. The most intense excitement prevailed on board both vessels during the race. Sets were fired continually on all sides, and a large amount of money changed hands on the result.

Mr. Charles W. Hamilton, Surgeon, R.N., writes to the *British Medical Journal*:—The successful treatment of sea-sickness which surgeons almost have so much to do with, and which generally they are unable to effect, to alleviate, must prove my excuse for bringing before the profession the curative effect of kola (*Sterculia acuminata*) in this disease.

In the few cases which I have lately had to deal with, I have found the internal administration of the seed of the kola a most successful remedy. Half to one drachm of the seed chewed slowly was followed, in about forty minutes, by complete cessation of the various symptoms of mal de mer, the depression, fainting, and giddiness disappeared; the heart's action regulated and strengthened, and a confidence in heavy weather that my cases never before experienced during the many years they have served in the Royal Navy, and had tried the usual remedies prescribed by their officers.

At present no means of preventing sea-sickness in those susceptible of it is known; and I venture to believe that in the kola, or its alkaloid, we have one; and that a larger trial of this drug will tend to establish its efficacy. From its well-known sustaining and invigorating properties during fatigue, for which it is daily used by the natives on the West Coast of Africa and beyond, its action in sea sickness seems to be the giving tone to the nervous system, proving a stimulant—acting generally and locally.

A Ladies' Military Society has been formed, it seems, in New York; the members of which are a hundred young ladies 'belonging to the wealthiest families.' They have donned uniforms, and have gone still further in their military enthusiasm by engaging a quartermaster-sergeant from Germany, belonging to the 22nd Prussian Regiment, as their drill instructor. We have, however, yet to learn what is the exact motive with which the New York Female Military Society has been started. Full details are given as to what the uniform consists of, which leads to the supposition that this matter of dress is really the most important question in the eyes of the American Amazons. First of all there is a skirt reaching to the knee, followed by leggings which are brown for the privates and white for the officers, and surmounting all is a blouse of a tasteful and elegant design. It is expensive-looking and a bit, and it is said to be wide enough to permit of free movements of the limbs in case the feminine combatants wish to charge or to back a retreat in the field. For a head-covering there is, of course, a kepi, which is decorated with a plume of feathers, and is surmounted by the Millie. Nothing is said as to whether it is hardy enough to stand the onslaught of these amateur soldiers will stop short of a big drum.

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IN CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

(Before His Honour Mr. Justice Gurney, Acting Chief Justice.)

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The monthly Criminal Sessions opened to-day.

OBTAINING GOODS ON FORGED ORDERS.—Lai Chong was charged with obtaining a quantity of tobacco on a forged order on the 25th May, and with attempting on the same day to obtain another quantity in the same way. He pleaded not guilty, and the following gentlemen were sworn as a jury:—Messrs. Ng Sau Sang, W. Thomas, G. L. Meunier, W. S. Banney, J. D. Laperriere, G. L. Meunier, and J. D. Laperriere.

The Attorney General (Hon. W. M. Goodman) said the prisoner was charged with obtaining three packages of tobacco of the value of \$1.20 and endeavoring to obtain 64 cigarettes on the same day by means of a forged order. He seemed to have a great liking for tobacco, but instead of getting it in the ordinary way he used a forged order. The first order was presented at tea o'clock in the morning, when he obtained tobacco, but between that time and the time the next order was presented the shop-people had their suspicions aroused and had the man arrested. The orders purported to be signed by Li Man Shang and the prisoner when arrested said it was younger brother of this man who had given him the order. He did not, however, call this person as a witness.

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Passengers desirous of insuring their baggage can do so on application at the Company's Office.

This Steamer takes Cargo and Passengers for MARSEILLES.

E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
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THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND CARGO.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 2nd day of July, 1890, at 10 a.m. the Company's Steamship **BRUNSWICK**, Capt. A. MEIER, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at Genoa.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon. Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m. Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 1st July. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and Value of Packages are required.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

For further Particulars, apply to

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